Viasat Selected As a Top 30 Innovator in the U.S. Air Force AFWERX Joint All-Domain Command & Control Demonstration Event

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CARLSBAD, Calif., Aug. 18, 2020 /PRNewswire/ -- Viasat Inc. (NASDAQ: VSAT), a global communications company, announced today it was one of 30 industry teams competitively selected by the U.S. Air Force AFWERX program to virtually demonstrate new and emerging capabilities, including its advanced Hybrid Adaptive Network (HAN) satellite communications (SATCOM) capabilities in support of Joint All-Domain Command & Control (JADC2) efforts. The demonstration, which brought together senior leaders from across the Department of Defense (DoD), enabled Viasat to showcase its capability to provide an open multi-network, multi-orbit SATCOM enterprise that leverages commercial innovation to enhance resilience, performance and warfighter effectiveness across a contested, multi-domain battlespace.

For the first time as part of this Air Force challenge event, AFWERX established a contract vehicle for DoD users to immediately gain access to developing technologies presented by the 30 selected companies. The AFWERX contract vehicle is open to interested government organizations to use until September 30, 2020.

"We were proud to be chosen by AFWERX to demonstrate automated SATCOM network switching based on warfighter priorities and threats. In fact, we conducted a 'Live Fire' demonstration of a layered, resilient communications architecture that seamlessly roamed across multiple satellite networks, operated over various frequency bands, waveforms and provided independent, diversified network options for tactical, secure, cross-domain command and control (C2) communications and fires," said Ken Peterman, president, Government Systems, Viasat. "Our HAN architecture can advance DoD's JADC2 efforts, providing shared situational awareness using a diverse, resilient communications system—across all modalities and missions around the globe. This proven capability is focused on enabling coalition interoperability to rapidly address adversary threats in increasingly congested, contested and competitive environments."

About the Viasat Demonstration
Warfighters require a resilient communications architecture for JADC2 high-velocity, data-rich, net-centric operations. The Viasat HAN demonstration highlighted critical use cases including assured connectivity, enterprise situational awareness and seamless, intelligent roaming across commercial and government networks. By operating across multiple networks, orbits and frequency bands, Viasat's HAN system is well-positioned to enable joint forces to efficiently communicate and share data from operators/sensors on the ground, in the air, at sea and in space—with synchronized effects to rapidly close the kill chain in contested environments. A customized, cloud-based portal provides the interface for commanders and operators to share situational awareness and command, control and communication (C3) data in machine time.

AFWERX was launched by the USAF in 2017 as a dual-purpose technology accelerator program that focuses on enhancing relationships with commercially viable companies with dual-purpose technologies that have both private sector and government applications.

About Viasat
Viasat is a global communications company that believes everyone and everything in the world can be connected. For more than 30 years, Viasat has helped shape how consumers, businesses, governments and militaries around the world communicate. Today, the Company is developing the ultimate global communications network to power high-quality, secure, affordable, fast connections to impact people's lives anywhere they are—on the ground, in the air or at sea. To learn more about Viasat, visit: www.viasat.com, go to Viasat's Corporate Blog, or follow the Company on social media at: Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Twitter or YouTube.

Forward-Looking Statements
This press release contains forward-looking statements that are subject to the safe harbors created under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements include, among others, statements about Viasat's HAN architecture including its availability, capabilities, performance and benefits. Readers are cautioned that actual results could differ materially and adversely from those expressed in any forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ include: contractual problems, product defects, manufacturing issues or delays, regulatory issues, technologies not being developed according to anticipated schedules, or that do not perform according to expectations; and increased competition and other factors affecting the government and defense sectors generally. In addition, please refer to the risk factors contained in Viasat's SEC filings available at www.sec.gov, including Viasat's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date on which they are made. Viasat undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements for any reason.

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